

Miami County Solid Waste District
Minutes for the July 18, 2011 Meeting

Attendance: Jon Faust, Craig Boyer, Tom Gustin, Josh Francis, Don Morris, Shirley Mull, Pat Roberts, Samantha Ward, and Brenda Weaver. Absent: Jim Walker and Carla Smith.

Brenda Weaver took the minutes for this meeting due to Carla Smith being ill.

At 8:01 A.M. the meeting was called to order by Tom Gustin.

The minutes of June 20, 2011 meeting were presented. Craig Boyer motioned to accept the minutes as is Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

The July 2011 financial statement was presented by Samantha Ward. The bill for Ampro was back to our regular billing schedule. The bill from Miami Beverage is now being sent quarterly than monthly and included rent on the water cooler. The bill for the Peru Tribune and the additional amount for the WARU bill were for advertising during the 4-H fair. The bill for Smith Office was for use of the new printer and for a case of everyday office paper. The bill for Roberts Law Firm was for the first half legal fees for 2011. The Saine-Summers bill was for the workman's compensation and liability policies. Joshua Francis moved to approve the financial report as is, Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

We reported that there were some contract issues with the new location for the Eagles Pointe bin. The agreement should be finalized within the next few days.

Samantha reported to the board that there are still many ongoing issues with the electronic recycling bin. People are leaving trash and tires, and are also scavenging the items for copper and other valuable items they can resell.

Samantha suggested the purchase of a building to handle some of the recycling programs we now have in place would be one option in curbing some of the abuse. She presented a few properties to the board that could have good potential. One location was the old lumber yard on West Logansport Road. The biggest obstacles to this property would be the need for repairs to the roof, and that the building has mold in some areas. Some positive aspects to having a building would include having a place for Household Hazardous Waste drop off every day, a manned electronic drop off site that would be locked in the evenings, and a place to start a compost program in the future. Don Morris suggested having one place to take everything, including garbage, but residents would still pay the fee, and also be charged for dropping off some items. More concerns included the distance to drive for residents in the far north and far south areas of the county. Craig Boyer suggested keeping the possibility of a building in mind, but see if we can get a copy of Wabash County Solid Waste District's budget since they have a building and attended programs. Pat Roberts mentioned whether having a building would be a profitable move or not.

Samantha reported the results of Tire Day to the board. It was very well attended, and we took in 989 car tires, 271 truck tires, and 31 tractor tires. Samantha worked with the farmers who mentioned they missed the March tire day, and allowed them to bring an extra tractor tire, but they were to call the office and make arrangements first. There were approximately 5 farmers who did this.

Shirley Mull motioned to adjourn at 9:00 a.m., Josh Francis seconded, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,